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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Election Requirement dated November 21, 2003, Applicants elect species (iii) of the claimed invention: an oxygenation assembly having a mixer. The claims which read on this species of the claimed invention are claims 3-12.

Therefore, Applicants request examination of claims 3-12 and reserve the right to add a claim generic to all species identified by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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